## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

## RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (NPDES NO. CA0077682)

For

## SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY SACRAMENTO COUNTY

The Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District is the owner and operator of the Sacramento Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works located at 8521 Laguna Station Road, Elk Grove, CA. The Facility provides sewerage services for the Cities of Sacramento, Folsom, and West Sacramento; the communities of Courtland and Walnut Grove; and the Sacramento Area Sewer District. The Sacramento Area Sewer District service area includes the Cities of Elk Grove, Rancho Cordova, Citrus Heights, as well as portions of the unincorporated areas of Sacramento County. The Facility serves a population of approximately 1.4 million people. The Facility provides secondary treatment for up to 181 million gallons per day (MGD). Secondary treated wastewater from the Facility is discharged to the Sacramento River within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, a water of the United States.

Discharges from the Facility are currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2010-0114-04, issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 9 December 2010 and amended on 1 December 2011, 4 October 2013, 8 August 2014, 9 October 2014, and 31 July 2015. An Order is proposed to renew the NPDES permit. The proposed permit includes a new effluent limitation for methylmercury. The permit removes effluent limitations for aluminum, dibenzo(a,h)anthracene, manganese, methyl tertiary butyl ether, pentachlorophenol, and tetrachloroethylene because the discharge does not demonstrate reasonable potential to cause or contribute to instream exceedances of the applicable water quality objectives for these constituents.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 21/22 April 2016

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region

1685 "E" Street Fresno, CA 93706

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

• Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District Representatives

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **7 March 2016**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

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Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board via email to

RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on 7 March 2016. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 p.m. on 7 March 2016 will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any Designated Party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Xuan Luo at (916) 464-4606 or xuan.luo@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/tentative\_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer
4 February 2016